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CAST:

THE DOCTOR
TEGAN
TURLOUGH
BULIC
VORSHAK
PRESTON
ICTHAR
SAUVIX
FIRST SILURIAN (COMPANION)
SECOND SILURIAN "

NON-SPEAKING:

SEA DEVIL WARRIORS
DEAD CREW MEMBERS

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SETS:

Sea Base Composite: Corridors
Bridge
Detention Area
Computer Bank Bay

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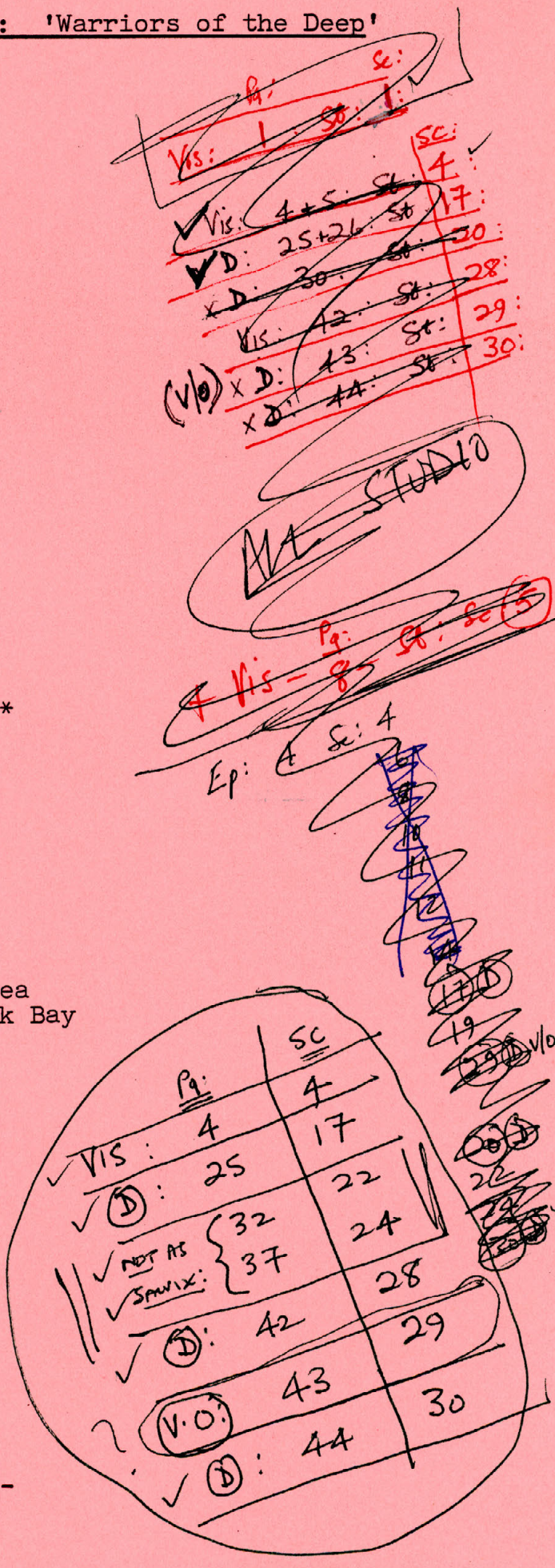

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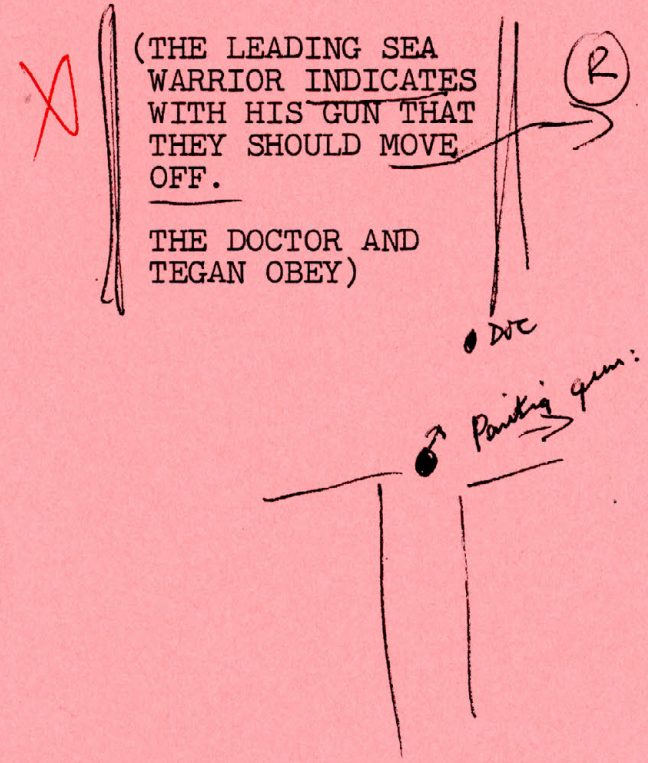
REPRISE THEN:

1. INT. SEA BASE FOUR. CORRIDOR.

(THE LEADING SEA WARRIOR INDICATES WITH HIS GUN THAT THEY SHOULD MOVE OFF.

THE DOCTOR AND TEGAN OBEY)



2. INT. SEA BASE FOUR. CORRIDOR

(TWO SEA DEVILS
PACING ON GUARD
OUTSIDE A DOOR
TO A DETENTION
AREA.

NEW ANGLE TO SHOW
TURLOUGH'S FACE
WATCHING THEM
THROUGH AN INSPECTION
PLATE IN THE DOOR)

3. INT. SEA BASE FOUR. DETENTION AREA.

(TURLOUGH WATCHING THE SEA DEVIL GUARDS OUTSIDE.

BEHIND HIM BULIC. THE AREA HAS A FEW SEATS, A TABLE AND A BED. ON THE WALL A GRILLE COVERING THE VENTILATION SHAFT.

TURLOUGH TURNS AWAY)

TURLOUGH: We've got to get out of here.

BULIC: To go where? The Sea Devils are all over the place.

TURLOUGH: The Tarids. At least we'd be safe there. (SEES THE GRILLE) What's that?

(BULIC FOLLOWS HIS LOOK, THEN REACTS)

BULIC: The ventilation shaft.

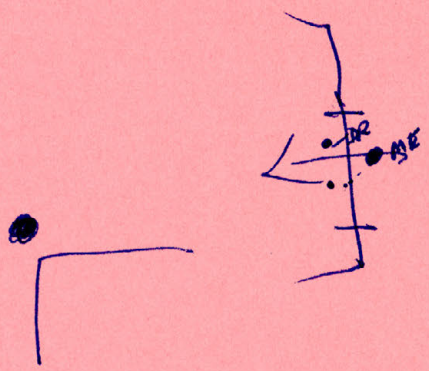
GIVE
DICKIE
A
PEERAGE
ATTENBOROUGH
Stuart 'Big' Blake
(in Clitheroe)
ICTAPE's
Cartoonist

4. INT. SEA BASE FOUR. BRIDGE COMPLEX.

(THE DOCTOR, TEGAN, SAUVIX AND GUARDS ENTER.

SECOND COMPANION COMES OUT OF THE COMPUTER BANK BAY)

Ent: with Dr:



SECOND COMPANION: The damage is assessed, Icthar. The computer can be restored to normal functioning.

THE DOCTOR: (QUIETLY) Icthar.

TEGAN: You know him?

THE DOCTOR: Yes. But I thought he'd been killed.

ICTHAR: Who is in command here?

(VORSHAK STEPS FORWARD)

ICTAR - Clear these people from the bridge.

VORSHAK: I am the senior officer.

(Clear goes out):

ICTHAR: You will remain. (TO SAUVIX) Confine the others until our primary mission is completed.

(ABOUT TO MOVE AWAY WHEN THE DOCTOR STEPS OUT TO CONFRONT HIM.

(SAUVIX AND THE SEA DEVILS RAISE THEIR WEAPONS MENACINGLY)

THE DOCTOR: You do not recognise me now, but we are known to each other.

(ICTHAR STUDIES HIM)

ICTHAR: You are mistaken ... take him away.

THE DOCTOR: Wait ... please! In an earlier regeneration you knew me as the Doctor.

(ICTHAR REACTS)

ICTHAR: The Doctor ... You can prove what you say?

THE DOCTOR: I know that you are Icthar, surviving leader of the noble Silurian Triad. We last met when I tried to mediate between you and the people of Earth.

ICTHAR: (BEAT) So, it is you.

THE DOCTOR: May we speak?

ICTHAR: (TO SAUVIX) The Doctor will remain here, as well. Remove the others.(cont ...)

(TEGAN AND PRESTON ARE USHERED OUT BY SAUVIX AND TWO OF THE SEA DEVILS)

EXIT WITH TEGAN & PRESTON (Same door).

ICTHAR: (cont) I will listen to whatyou have to say. But I should tell you that the Silurians have long since abandoned the way of mediation.

THE DOCTOR: So it seems ... but why? A civilized race like yours, waging unprovoked war ...

ICTHAR: Defensive war, Doctor. There is a distinction. Silurian law forbids any other.

THE DOCTOR: Defensive? There's no such thing. When we last met your supreme wish was to live in peace with the other inhabitants of the Planet. Why change such an enlightened policy now?

ICTHAR: Our policy has always been peaceful survival. All that has changed is the means by which it can be achieved.

THE DOCTOR: By actions such as those we've seen here?

ICTHAR: (HARD) You forget. Twice we offered the hand of friendship to these ape descended primitives. And twice we were treacherously attacked, our people slaughtered. It will not happen again.

THE DOCTOR: There can be no alternative to co-existence.

ICTHAR: There is , Doctor - a final solution.

THE DOCTOR: Genocide? When everything you Silurians hold sacred fobids it?

ICTHAR: We will harm no-one. These ape primitives will destroy themselves. We Doctor, will merely provide the pretext.

(THE DOCTOR LOOKS OFF TO FIRST COMPANION AT WORK AT THE SYNCH CONSOLE AND SUDDENLY UNDERSTANDS)

THE DOCTOR: You'll trigger the war this base was designed to fight?

ICTHAR: Yes - and these so called human beings will die as they have lived: in a sea of their own blood.

5. INT. SEA BASE FOUR. DETENTION AREA.

(TURLOUGH HELD ALOFT BY BULIC WORKING ON THE GRILLE. IT'S BEGINNING TO COME ADRIFT FROM IT'S FASTENINGS.

THERE IS A NOISE OUTSIDE.

TURLOUGH IS DROPPED. AND STANDS INNOCENTLY NEXT TO BULIC.

A BEAT, AND A SEA DEVIL FACE APPEARS AT THE INSPECTION PLATE.

THE DOOR IS THROWN OPEN AND TEGAN AND PRESTON PUSHED INTO THE ROOM.

Push in & Hold (comes behind back)

THE DOOR SLAMS BEHIND THEM)

TEGAN: You're alive.

TURLOUGH: And well. And trying to escape. (TO PRESTON) Keep watch.

(BULIC AND TURLOUGH MOVE BACK TO THE GRILLE)

6. INT. SEA BASE FOUR. BRIDGE COMPLEX.

(DOOR TO THE COMPUTER BANK BAY OPENS AND SECOND COMPANION COMES OUT)

SECOND COMPANION: Primary circuits of the computer are now functioning.

(TURNS AND JOINS SECOND COMPANION AT THE MASTER CONSOLE)

ICTHAR: Can we activate the Missile Date Banks?

SECOND COMPANION: We will need the commander's hand scan for clearance.

VORSHAK: You'll get no help from me, Silurian.

(THE SEA DEVIL GUARD MOVES FORWARD TO MENACE VORSHAK)

ICTHAR: (HARD) Your hand scan, commander. I will not ask again.

THE DOCTOR: I think you should do as he says, commander.

VORSHAK: No!

(THE DOCTOR
MOVES CLOSER)

THE DOCTOR: (SOFT) Alive or dead they can still use your handscan. And while there's life there's also hope.

(VORSHAK LOOKS AT THE DOCTOR, THEN HE MOVES TO PLACE HIS HAND ON THE IMPRINT RECESS OF THE MASTER CONSOLE)

ICTHAR: Thank you, Doctor.

(MOVES TO CONSOLE.

THE DOCTOR MOVES BACK TO JOIN VORSHAK.

ICTHAR AND SECOND COMPANION WORKING AT THE MASTER CONSOLE)

VORSHAK: (QUIETLY TO DOCTOR) Those missiles will never leave their pads. Not without a synch operator to complete the firing sequence.

THE DOCTOR: (THINKING) Not so.

VORSHAK: A synch operator is our insurance against unauthorized launch.

(THE DOCTOR INDICATES THE MANIPULATOR)

THE DOCTOR: If my guess is right, that little piece of Silurian gadgetry will more than make up for the lack of a synch operator ... unless we're able to do something about it.

7. INT. SEA BASE FOUR. DETENTION AREA.

(TURLOUGH TAKES THE VENTILATION FRILLE OUT OF ITS POSITION AND HANDS IT DOWN TO TEGAN.

HE JUMPS FREE OF BULIC'S HANDS)

TURLOUGH: Back to the Tardis.

TEGAN: No, the bridge. (TO BULIC) They've also got the commander up there as well as the Doctor. Do you think we can get them away?

TURLOUGH: (ANNOYED) What is it about Earth people that makes them think a futile gesture is a noble one?

BULIC: You would prefer we left our friends to die?

TURLOUGH: If there was any chance of saving them. I'd be the first to go. But there isn't.

TEGAN: We won't know that until we've checked. (TO BULIC) Let's go.

(THEY CROSS TO THE VENTILATION SHAFT.

BULIC FORMS HIS
HANDS INTO A STIRRUP
AND TEGAN INSERTS
HER FOOT.

ON TURLOUGH: HE
FUMES WITH RAGE
AND GUILT)

8. INT. SEA BASE FOUR. BRIDGE COMPLEX.

(SECOND COMPANION
TURNS TO ICTHAR)

SECOND COMPANION: The missiles are re-targetted.

ICTHAR: Excellent.

(THE DOCTOR IS
STUDYING THE
SCREEN)

THE DOCTOR: You intend to explode the missiles in space?

ICTHAR: Yes.

THE DOCTOR: Launching those things will trigger off a holocaust! You'll destroy everyone.

ICTHAR: The Silurians and Sea Devils will survive.

THE DOCTOR: To be Masters of a dead Planet.

ICTHAR: Not quite, Doctor. Safely hidden away, still in deep hibination, is the true life force of this Planet.

THE DOCTOR: I'd forgotten: The Silurian and the Sea Devils.

ICTHAR: Precisely. And once restored our civilisation will flowish again!

9. INT. SEA BASE FOUR. DETENTION AREA.

(BULIC AND
TEGAN HAVE GONE.

TURLOUGH MAKES A
STIRRUP WITH HIS
HANDS AND PRESTON
INSERTS HER FOOT.

SHE PAUSES)

TURLOUGH: What's the matter?

PRESTON: They would stand a better chance if we'd gone with them.

TURLOUGH: A better chance of what? To get killed? I don't think so. They'll manage that nicely themselves. Let's get out of here.

(PRESTON PUSHES
OFF FROM THE
FLOOR AND SCRAMBLES
THROUGH THE OPENING)

10. INT. SEA BASE FOUR. BRIDGE COMPLEX.

(THE DOCTOR AND
ICTHAR HAVE MOVED
AWAY FROM VORSHAK)

THE DOCTOR: What about us? Or are we also included in your final solution?

ICTHAR: We bear you no malice, Doctor. Once we are finished here you and your companions will be released.

THE DOCTOR: And the rest of these people?

ICTHAR: They will die. An act of mercy, since there will be nothing for them to return to ... commander - you will please join me at the Master Console.

(VORSHAK HESITATES,
THEN AT A NOD
FROM THE DOCTOR
HE GOES.

THE DOCTOR LOOKS
ABOUT DESPERATELY
WONDERING WHAT TO
DO NEXT)

11. INT. SEA BASE FOUR. COMPUTER BANK. DAY.

(BULIC HELPS TEGAN DOWN FROM THE VENTILATION SHAFT.

BULIC CAUTIONS HER TO BE QUIET AND OPENS THE DOOR FRACTIONALLY. HE PEERS THROUGH.

BULIC'S POV: THE DOCTOR ON HIS OWN.

BY THE MASTER CONSOLE ICTHAR, SECOND COMPANION, AND VORSHAK.

FIRST COMPANION BY THE SYNCH CONSOLE.

BY THE DOOR - TWO SEA DEVILS)

BULIC: (WHISPERS) He's in there.

(TEGAN NODS)

12 INT. SEA BASE FOUR. BRIDGE COMPLEX.

ICTHAR: (TO VORSHAK)
Initiate the test firing sequence.

(VORSHAK HESITATES THEN LAYS HIS HAND ON THE IMPRINT RECESS.

A STREAM OF DATA FLOODS THE SCREEN.

THE DOCTOR AWARE THE DOOR HAS OPENED BEHIND HIM, TURNS AND SEES BULIC, WHO INDICATES CAUTION.

THE DOCTOR CAREFULLY CHECKS THE POSITIONS OF THE SEA DEVIL GUARDS.

HE NODS IMPERCEPTIBLY AT BULIC WHO CLOSES THE DOOR)

13. INT. SEA BASE FOUR. COMPUTER BANK. DAY.

(BULIC AND TEGAN)

TEGAN: Did he see you?

BULIC: Yes ... and he'd better hurry, it can't be long before they discover we've escaped.

14. INT. SEA BASE FOUR. BRIDGE COMPLEX.

(AS BEFORE.

THE DOCTOR WORKS HIS WAY INNOCENTLY OVER TO THE EQUIPMENT NEAR THE DOOR TO THE COMPUTER BANK BAY.

A SEA DEVIL TURNS TO WATCH HIM.

HE PRETENDS TO BE ABSORBED IN THE EQUIPMENT.

THEN, AS SOON AS THE SEA DEVIL'S EYES HAVE MOVED ON, HE QUICKLY MOVES THROUGH THE DOOR, CLOSING IT SOFTLY BEHIND HIM)

15. INT. SEA BASE FOUR. COMPUTER BANK BAY.

(THE DOCTOR SMILES
AT BULIC AND
TEGAN)

THE DOCTOR: Excellent timing? Is Turlough safe?

TEGAN: Yes.

(LOOKS OFF AND
SEES THE
GAPING ENTRY
TO THE VENTILATION
SHAFT)

BULIC: I must get the Commander out.

(THE DOCTOR
STOPS HIM)

THE DOCTOR: Impossible! They need him in there ... you'd never make it.

BULIC: I must at least try!

THE DOCTOR: Not here, not now. We'll come back for him, I promise.

(BULIC STARES AT
HIM. THEN NODS.

THEY MOVE OVER
TO THE SHAFT)

TEGAN: Where are we going?

THE DOCTOR: The chemical store.

16. INT. SEA BASE FOUR. CORRIDOR.

(TURLOUGH DROPS DOWN INTO THE CORRIDOR.

A SWIFT LOOK ABOUT, AND HE SIGNALS PRESTON WHO CLIMBS DOWN TO JOIN HIM)

PRESTON: This way.

(THEY MOVE OFF.

IN PASSING, TURLOUGH BENDS TO RETRIEVE A WEAPON FROM A DEAD COMBAT MARINE)

17. INT. SEA BASE FOUR. BRIDGE COMPLEX.

(VORSHAK, ITCHAR AND SECOND COMPANION BY THE MASTER CONSOLE.

FIRST COMPANION BY THE SYNCH CONSOLE.

THE DOOR BURSTS OPEN AND SAUVIX AND A SEA DEVIL COME IN)

SAUVIX: The primitives have escaped.

ICTHAR: Explain.

(SAUVIX LOOKS AROUND)

SAUVIX: Where is the Doctor?

(ICTHAR TURNS)

ICTHAR: The Doctor! (cont ...)

(MOVES TO THE COMPUTER BANK BAY AND THROWS THE DOOR OPEN.

LOOKS ABOUT, SEES THE GAPING ENTRY TO THE SHAFT, AND MOVES BACK.

OVER

VORSHAK SMILES
GRIMLY)

ICTHAR: (cont) Find them!
Find them and kill them!

(SAUVIX AND HIS
GUARD TURN AND
EXIT)

EXIT
THROUGH ~~DOOR~~.

18. INT. SEA BASE FOUR. CORRIDOR.

(TURLOUGH AND
PRESTON HEAR
DISTANT MUFFLED
NOISE OF FIRING.

THEY LOOK AT
EACH OTHER
ANXIOUSLY)

TURLOUGH: They must be mopping up survivors.

PRESTON: Or your friends. Either way, shouldn't we help?

(THEY TURN AND
RETRACE THEIR
STEPS)

19. INT. SEA BASE FOUR. BRIDGE.

(ICTHAR STANDS BEFORE THE SYNCH UNIT AND OPERATES SOME CONTROLS ON A NEARBY CONSOLE.

MACHINERY STARTS TO HUM)

ICTHAR: Connect the manipulator.

(SECOND COMPANION REMOVES THE MANIPULATOR FROM ITS CASE)

20. INT. SEA BASE FOUR. CORRIDOR.

(BULIC AND TEGAN STAND GUARD AS THE DOCTOR DROPS TO THE GROUND FROM THE VENTILATION GRILLE.

DISTANT FIRING IS HEARD)

TEGAN: Hurry Doctor!

(THEY ARE ABOUT TO MOVE OFF WHEN A LIFT OPENS NEARBY AND TWO SEA DEVILS RUSH OUT.

THEY RAISE THEIR WEAPONS TO FIRE.

AS THEY DO, TURLOUGH AND PRESTON SPRING INTO VIEW.

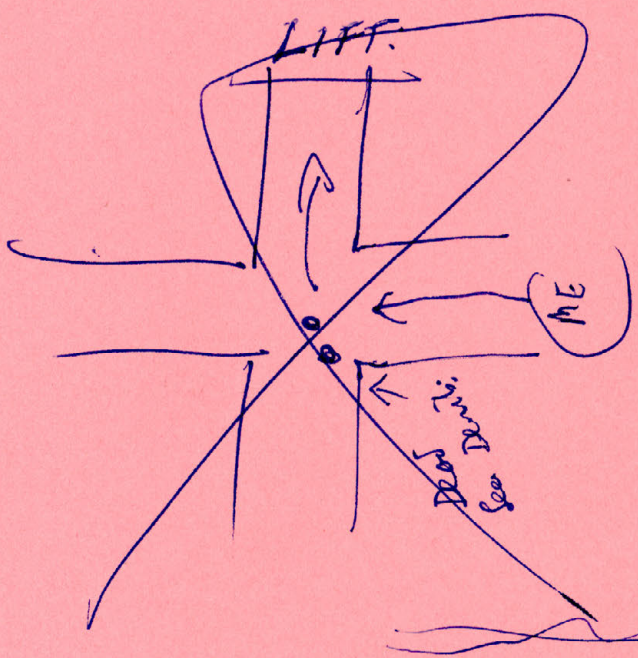
THEY FIRE AND THE SEA DEVILS DROP.

TURLOUGH MOVES UP TO JOIN THEM)

THE DOCTOR: (TO TURLOUGH) Well timed.

TURLOUGH: (TO TEGAN) You didn't really think we'd leave.

(TEGAN ISN'T SO SURE, BUT AT THIS PARTICULAR MOMENT IS PREPARED TO FORGIVE HIM)



PRESTON: Where are you going?

THE DOCTOR: The chemical store.

BULIC: This way.

(THEY MOVE TO THE LIFT AND ENTER.

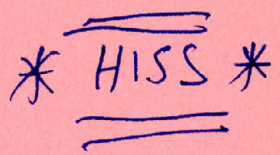
AS THE DOOR CLOSES, AND THE LIFT STARTS TO DESCEND.

SAUVIX AND THREE SEA DEVILS RUN DOWN A CORRIDOR AND SEE THE DEAD WARRIORS)

SAUVIX: (RANTS) Find them! Find them!

(THE SEA WARRIORS MOVE OFF.

SAUVIX LOOKS AS THE LIFT INDICATOR. IT HAS STOPPED. HE LETS OUT A LOUD HISS OF PLEASURE)



21. INT. SEA BASE FOUR. BRIDGE.

(THE MANIPULATOR
IS IN PLACE)

ICTHAR: (TO SECOND COMPANION) Is the computer fully operational?

SECOND COMPANION: Restored and tested.

ICTHAR: Then align the manipulator.

(SECOND COMPANION
STARTS TO OPERATE
SWITCHES AND
SLIDE CONTROLS
ON THE MACHINE)

22. INT. SEA BASE FOUR. CHEMICAL STORE.

(THE DOCTOR, TEGAN, TURLOUGH, PRESTON AND BULIC EMERGE CAUTIOUSLY INTO THE STORE.

THE DOCTOR MOVES TO EXAMINE THE LABELLING ON THE CYLINDERS OF CHEMICALS)

THE DOCTOR: (TO TURLOUGH) Watch the door.

TEGAN: What are you looking for?

(THE DOCTOR TAPS CYLINDER OF HEXA-CROMITE)

THE DOCTOR: An alternative to this if possible - something less lethal, that could do the job just as well.

BULIC: (TO THE DOCTOR) Do you know what the Silurians want?

THE DOCTOR: Oh yes. All in all they were quite forthcoming. They intend to launch your missiles and trigger the war to end all wars. Between your people, of course.

TURLOUGH: (URGENT) Doctor!

(ALL TENSE.

TURLOUGH CLOSES THE DOOR AND GESTURES FOR THEM TO HIDE.

THEY DISPERSE CONCEALING THEMSELVES.

A BEAT, FOOTSTEPS, AND THE DOOR CRASHES OPEN.

A SEA DEVIL ENTERS.

THE DOCTOR PRESSES BACK.

AS HE DOES HIS FOOT KNOCKS AGAINST A PIECE OF METAL SENDING IT ROLLING OFF.

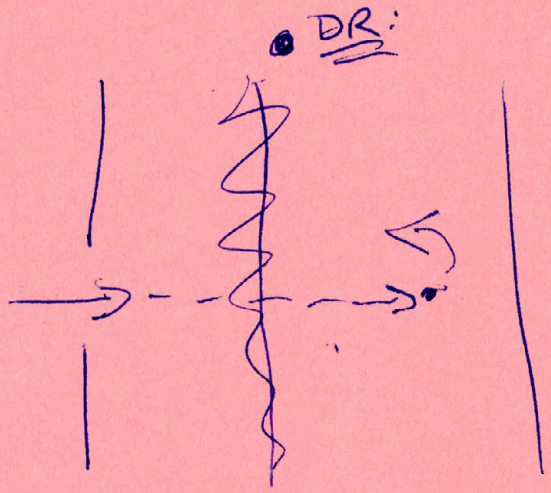
THE SEA DEVIL REACTS, MOVES FORWARD, SEES THE DOCTOR AND RAISES THE WEAPONS TO FIRE.

THE DOCTOR SWIFTLY DUCKS AS THE SEA DEVIL FIRES.

THE SHOT MISSES BUT HITS A CYLINDER WHICH PUNCTURES.

CHEMICAL VAPOUR, UNDER PRESSURE, JETS OUT TO ENVELOPE THE SEA DEVIL.

HIS HANDS GO TO HIS GILLS AS HE GASPS AND FALLS)



IN - DR: DROPS METAL
TURN - FIRE
GAS AFFECTS -
CLASP GILLS
DIE!!

DIE!

TEGAN: What happened?

THE DOCTOR: He's dead. The Hexa-Cromite ... It does that to all forms of reptile life.

PRESTON: Then use it on the invaders.

THE DOCTOR: And kill them?

PRESTON: Why not? They're about to start a war that will destroy everyone on Earth.

THE DOCTOR: (DISGUSTED) I often wonder why I like the people of this miserable planet so much. (SHOUTS) All you ever think about is killing! The Silurians and Sea Devils are noble races, with skills and talents you pathetic Earthlings can only dream about!

TURLOUGH: It still doesn't alter what they're about to do.

THE DOCTOR: (QUIETER) I know. And we must stop them.

TEGAN: But how?

(THE DOCTOR STARTS TO SEARCH AMONG THE DRUMS AGAIN)

THE DOCTOR: With something that will disable rather than kill.

23. INT. SEA BASE FOUR. BRIDGE COMPLEX.

(AS BEFORE.

VORSHAK TENSE)

SECOND COMPANION: Manipulator aligned with the computer.

ICTHAR: Good. Then we can proceed.

(A SUDDEN ALARM NOISE ERUPTS.

ALL EYES GO TO THE SCREEN.

THE READOUT BAND IS FLASHING.

IT READS:

MISSILE ALERT)

ICTHAR: (TO VORSHAK) Is this a simulated run?

VORSHAK: Impossible to tell.

ICTHAR: (TO SECOND COMPANION) Check the manipulator.

SECOND COMPANION: (CHECKING MANIPULATOR) Readings confirm a computer controlled practice run.

ICTHAR: It is time to stop this game. Activate the manipulator. Launch the missiles.

24. INT. SEA BASE FOUR. CHEMICALS STORE.

(AN ALARM SOUNDS.

THE DOCTOR IS STILL SEARCHING AMONG THE CYLINDERS OF CHEMICALS)

BULIC: (QUIETLY TO PRESTON) Missile alert.

(THE ALARM CUTS)

PRESTON: Doctor!

THE DOCTOR: I hear.

THE DOCTOR: (TO BULIC) How long does the countdown alert last?

BULIC: A few minutes.

TURLOUGH: (TO THE DOCTOR) What are you going to do?

(HE DOESN'T REPLY)

TEGAN: Doctor! You must decide. Billions of people could die.

(IN SPITE OF THE OBVIOUS TRUTH OF TEGAN'S STATEMENT, THE DOCTOR STILL FINDS IT DIFFICULT TO AGREE)

THE DOCTOR: All right. Use the Hexa-Cromite.

TEGAN: But how?

THE DOCTOR: Pump it into the ventilation system. (TO BULIC) Help me.

(THE TWO MEN START TO ROLL A CYLINDER TOWARDS THE GRILLE)

Tegan. Fetch that pump.

(NODS AT IT ON THE FLOOR NEARBY)

Turlough. Get the grille open.

(TURLOUGH CROSSES TO THE GRILLE)

25. INT. SEA BASE FOUR. BRIDGE COMPLEX.

(AS BEFORE)

SECOND COMPANION: The missiles are armed and targetted.

VORSHAK: You're mad!

ICTHAR: Your people have brought this on themselves.

VORSHAK: (DESPERATE) Contact the heads of government. Tell them your demands. They'll listen.

ICTHAR: Your people have had their chance.

VORSHAK: Try one more time, for pity's sake.

ICTHAR: It is too late for pity. It is much too late.

26. INT. SEA BASE FOUR. CHEMICAL STORE.

(THE GRILLE HAS BEEN REMOVED AND THE CYLINDER IS IN PLACE.

THE DOCTOR IS CONNECTING THE PUMP TO THE CYLINDER.

BULIC INSERTS THE OUTPUT PIPE INTO THE VENTILATION SHAFT)

THE DOCTOR: It will take a few minutes for the gas to spread throughout the base.

TEGAN: Will it be fast enough?

THE DOCTOR: I hope it won't be necessary. If I can get to the Bridge, I may be able to reason with Icthar. Persuade him to abandon the missile run.

TURLOUGH: You've already tried that.

(THE DOCTOR INDICATES CYLINDER)

THE DOCTOR: This time I'll have something to back my argument.

27. INT. SEA BASE FOUR. BRIDGE COMPLEX.

(ICTHAR WATCHING THE GREEN ALERT READOUT)

ICTHAR: (TO VORSHAK) Soon it will be all over, Commander.

SECOND COMPANION: (BY THE MANIPULATOR) There is computer resistance to the manipulator.

VORSHAK: I said you wouldn't suceed.

ICTHAR: Increase power. (TO VORSHAK) It seems that even your computers are stubborn.

28. INT. SEA BASE FOUR. CHEMICAL STORE.

(GAS FLOWS INTO
THE VENTILATION
SYSTEM)

THE DOCTOR: That's it. (TO THE GROUP) I want you all to go into the Tardis. You'll be safe there - whatever happens.

(A SHORT WARNING
BLEEP HEARD.

THE DOCTOR LOOKS
AT BULIC)

BULIC: We've gone to yellow alert.

THE DOCTOR: I must go.

(THE DOCTOR TURNS.

FILLING ~~THE DOOR-~~
WAY IS SAUVIX,
HIS GUN ~~POINTING~~
AT THE DOCTOR)

(Holding gun up pointing at Dr:)

(Door slides!)

SAUVIX.

So DR: -I HAVE FOUND YOU.

29. INT. SEA BASE FOUR. BRIDGE COMPLEX.

(TENSION ON THE BRIDGE.

ALL EYES ON THE FLASHING READOUT BAND WHICH INDICATES YELLOW ALERT.

THERE IS A BLEEP FROM THE CONSOLE.

ICTHAR OPERATES A SWITCH)

ICTHAR: Speak.

Wells Kroeli
V/O: 1

SAUVIX'S VOICE: I have the Doctor.

ICTHAR: And you have your orders. Kill him!

30. INT. SEA BASE FOUR. CHEMICAL STORE.

(AS BEFORE.

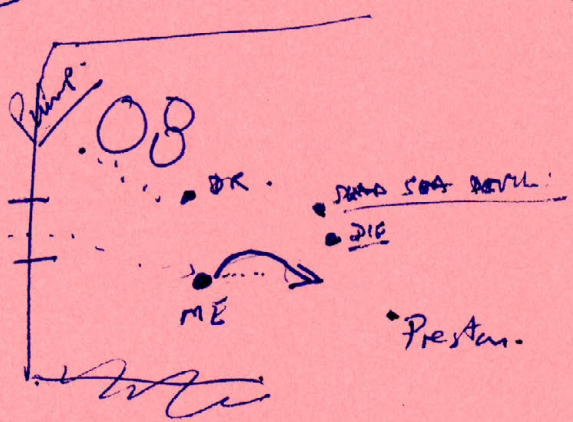
THE GAS CONTINUES TO BE PUMPED INTO THE VENTILATOR)

Follow on from Sc. 25.

THE DOCTOR: You must listen to me.

(interrupt) Sharp. NO DR. YOU MUST DIE

SAUVIX: ~~You heard my orders. I must kill~~ ... But first switch off the pump.



Open static pointing gun at Dr:

(PRESTON GLANCES TOWARDS THE STACKED CYLINDERS. ON THEM WE SEE THE RIFLE ABANDONED BY TURLOUGH)

TEGAN: No! Preston (cont ...)

(THE DOCTOR MOVES TOWARDS THE PUMP.

SAUVIX'S GUN FOLLOWS HIM.

TURN ON PRESTON

WITH SAUVIX OFF GUARD, PRESTON MAKES A DIVE FOR HIS RIFLE, BUT IS NOT FAST ENOUGH.

GASSED:

SAUVIX SHOOTS HER DOWN.

DIE (next to other sea devil)

BULIC, WHO STILL HAS HIS RIFLE WITH HIM, SNATCHES IT UP AND IN TURN ~~SHOOTS~~ GASES SAUVIX.

TEGAN CROSSES TO PRESTON, AND FEELS HER PULSE)

TEGAN: (cont) She's dead.

THE DOCTOR: I must go.

(BULIC GIVES TURLOUGH
HIS RIFLE)

BULIC: Go with him.

TEGAN: I'm coming, too.

THE DOCTOR: All right. But we must hurry.

(THE DOCTOR INDICATES
A RACK ON THE WALL.

MOUNTED ON IT ARE
A ROW OF GAS MASK-TYPE
PROTECTORS.

BUT INSTEAD OF A
CHARCOAL FILTER,
THEY HAVE A SMALL
CYLINDER OF OXYGEN)

(TO TEGAN) Bring three of those. We may need them.

(TEGAN OBEYS.

THEN THEY EXIT,
LEAVING BULIC
TO GUARD THE CYLINDER.

BULIC PICKS UP
SAUVIX'S GUN)

31. INT. SEA BASE FOUR. CORRIDOR.

(GAS BEGINS TO
MIST OUT OF A
VENTILATION GRILLE.

PULL BACK TO SHOW
TWO SEA DEVIL
GUARDS NEARBY)

32. INT. SEA BASE FOUR. BRIDGE COMPLEX.

(TENSION.

ALL EYES ON
THE READOUT BAND
WHICH STILL FLASHES
YELLOW ALERT)

SECOND COMPANION: The computer has stabilised. The manipulator has regained control.

33. INT. SEA BASE FOUR. CORRIDOR.

(THE DOCTOR, TEGAN
AND TURLOUGH
ON THE MOVE.

THEY ROUND A
CORNER AND SEE:

VAPOUR MISTING OUT
OF A GRILLE.

THE TWO SEA DEVILS
REELING DRUNKENLY
DOWN THE CORRIDOR.
THEIR HANDS CLUTCH
THEIR GILLS, AND
THEIR BREATHING
DESPERATELY LABOURED.

THEY BEGIN TO
COLLAPSE, THEIR
GILLS ENCRUSTED WITH
WHITE PATCHING)

TURLOUGH: It's working!

THE DOCTOR: But too quickly.
I can't bargain with Icthar if
his guards are dead!

(THEY SET OFF
AT A RUN)

34. INT. SEA BASE FOUR. CHEMICAL STORE.

(BULIC HAS MANHANDLED
ANOTHER CYLINDER OVER
TO THE SHAFT.

HE DISONNECTS THE
EXHAUSTED CYLINDER
AND BEGINS TO CONNECT
UP THE FLEXIBLE TUBE
TO THE NEW ONE)

35. INT. SEA BASE FOUR. BRIDGE COMPLEX.

(RED ALERT FLASHING)

VORSHAK: No!

ICTHAR: Fetch him.

(VORSHAK IS DRAGGED FORWARD BY THE SEA DEVIL GUARDS AND BROUGHT TO THE MASTER CONSOLE)

VORSHAK: I will not be responsible for the destruction of my own kind!

(HIS HAND IS PRESSED INTO THE IMPRINT RECESS)

ICTHAR: The final phase.

36. INT. SEA BASE FOUR. CORRIDOR.

(THE DOCTOR'S GROUP
ROUND A CORNER.

AHEAD LIES THE
BRIDGE.

A MIST CREATED
BY THE GAS HANGS
IN THE AIR)

37. INT. SEA BASE FOUR. BRIDGE COMPLEX.

(ICTHAR MOVES UP
TO THE MANIPULATOR
ON THE SYNCH
CONSOLE.

HE GLANCES UP AT
THE READOUT BAND.

AS HE DOES IT
CHANGES TO READ -

'MISSILES READY
TO FIRE'.

ICTHAR'S HAND GOES TO
THE LEVER ON THE
MANIPULATOR.

C.U. THE GRILLE TO
THE VENTILATION
SHAFT.

NOTHING FOR A BEAT,
THEN VAPOUR BEGINS
TO HISS INTO THE
BRIDGE COMPLEX)

38. INT. SEA BASE FOUR. CORRIDOR.

(THE DOCTOR'S GROUP
MOVE UP TO THE
BRIDGE AND BURST
INSIDE)

39. INT. SEA BASE FOUR. BRIDGE COMPLEX.

(ICTHAR AND THE
OTHERS REACT
TO THE ENTRY OF
THE DOCTOR'S GROUP.

THE SEA DEVIL GUARDS
RAISE THEIR WEAPONS.

TENSE STANDOFF,
THE DOCTOR'S EYES
TAKING IN THE
READOUT WHICH FLASHES,
MISSILES READY TO FIRE)

ICTHAR: Disarm them!

(A SEA DEVIL MOVES
FORWARD TO TAKE
AWAY TURLOUGH'S
GUN)

You are just in time to witness the launch, Doctor.

THE DOCTOR: Wait ... Your Warriors are dying. Abandon the base.

THE DOCTOR: (POINTS AT THE GRILLE) Look! It's Hexa-cromite gas.

(ICTHAR LOOKS AT
THE DOCTOR)

(URGENT) Abandon the launch there's still time to save your own lives.

ICTHAR: There are millions more ready to replace us.

THE DOCTOR: Who will replace you? With you dies the last of the Triad, the custodians of your race. What will become of your people then?

ICTHAR: (TO GUARDS) Kill them!

(SEA DEVILS RAISE THEIR WEAPONS TO FIRE.

THEN SUDDENLY REEL, CLUTCHING THEIR GILLS)

Kill them!

(THE SEA DEVILS DROP THEIR WEAPONS AND COLLAPSE.

THE DOCTOR RUSHES TO THE CONSOLE AND FLICKS THE P.A. SWITCH)

THE DOCTOR: Bulic, this is the Doctor. Turn off the gas.

(ICTHAR STARES AT HIM WILDLY, THEN HE AND FIRST COMPANION GET A WHIFF OF THE VAPOUR AND STAGGER)

ICTHAR: (GASPING) Begin ignition!

(SECOND COMPANION
WITH DIFFICULTY PRESSES
THE SWITCH ON THE
SYNCH CONSOLE.

A WARNING BLEEP
IS HEARD.

THE MANIPULATOR
BEGINS TO PULSE)

SECOND COMPANION: (GASPING)
Missiles set ...

(GASPS AND COLLAPSES.

THE DOCTOR GOES
TO MOVE UP TO THE
SYNCH CONSOLE.

SECOND COMPANION
COMES STAGGERING
OVER TO ATTACK HIM)

TEGAN: Doctor!

(THE DOCTOR AVOIDS
SECOND COMPANION
WHO FEELS PAST
TO COLLAPSE.

ICTHAR IS SWAYING
BY THE MANIPULATOR
GASPING, CLOSE TO
DEATH.

THE DOCTOR EXAMINES
THE MANIPULATOR.

THE BLEEP CUTS,
THE MANIPULATOR
SURGES THEN BEGINS
TO PULSE STEADILY.

THE DOCTOR MOVES IN TO
EXAMINE IT)

THE DOCTOR: The missiles
are set to fire. (TO VORSHAK)
How long have we got?

VORSHAK: Less than three minutes.

THE DOCTOR: (URGENT) What's the abort procedure?

VORSHAK: A phased electrical charge aimed directly at the ignition circuit. It restores the launch to simulation.

THE DOCTOR: It must be done at once!

VORSHAK: Impossible. Only the electronically reinforced human cortex of a synch operator can do it. And Maddox is dead.

THE DOCTOR: Then I shall have to try.

VORSHAK: It takes years to surgically wire and condition a human brain for such a task. The computer would burn out your mind in seconds.

THE DOCTOR: You have a better idea?

VORSHAK: Very well. Get into the seat.

(THE DOCTOR MOVES TO SIT IN THE SYNCH OPERATORS CHAIR)

TURLOUGH: Try to disconnect the computer first.

THE DOCTOR: There isn't time.

VORSHAK: He's right. We're already on final countdown to ignition.

TEGAN: Is there anything we can do?

THE DOCTOR: Tend to the Silurians.

TEGAN: How?

THE DOCTOR: Give them oxygen. From your mask.

(TEGAN RUSHES TO ICTHAR, WHO HAS COLLAPSED.

TURLOUGH TO SECOND COMPANION)

VORSHAK: Quickly, Doctor!

(VORSHAK PRESSES A SWITCH AND THE OVERHEAD HEAD PIECE DESCENDS TO FIT OVER THE DOCTOR'S SKULL.

VORSHAK PASSES HIS HAND OVER A SWITCH)

I can perform the manual tasks, but you will have to do the rest.

(THE DOCTOR NODS)

TEGAN: Good luck.

(VORSHAK PRESSES THE SWITCH.

THE TERMINALS PROTRUDING FROM THE HEADPIECE GLOW AND BEGIN TO DEPRESS INTO THE DOCTOR'S SKULL.

THE DOCTOR'S BODY STIFFENS.

HE MOANS.

THE DOCTOR'S EYES ROLL IN AGONY.

THE TERMINALS CONTINUE TO DEPRESS UNTIL THEY CAN GO NO FURTHER.

THE DOCTOR'S BACK IS ARCHING. THEN SUDDENLY HE SLUMPS)

TURLOUGH: It's killing him!

(THE DOCTOR REVIVES.

AN AGONIZED LOOK AT VORSHAK AND NODS)

VORSHAK: No. His mind is one with the computer. (TO THE DOCTOR) I'm now switching you through to the ignition circuits. (cont ...)

(TEGAN IS STILL HOLDING THE MASK TO ICTHAR'S FACE, BUT WATCHING THE DOCTOR.

THE SUDDEN RUSH OF AIR HAS REVIVED HIM.

UNNOTICED BY TEGAN, ICTHAR HAS MOVED HIS HAND TOWARDS A WEAPON DROPPED BY ONE OF THE DEAD SEA DEVILS.

VORSHAK PRESSES
SWITCH AND STANDS
BACK)

VORSHAK: (cont) We've isolated the ignition circuit, Doctor. Can you identify it? Nod if you can.

(THE DOCTOR'S EYES
CLOSE AS HE NODS.

SUDDENLY ICTHAR
GRABS THE WEAPON
AND POINTS IT AT
THE DOCTOR.

TEGAN GALLS ON HIS
ARM TRYING TO PRESS
IT BACK AGAINST HIS
BODY)

TEGAN: Help me, Turlough.

(TURLOUGH RUSHES TO
HER AID)

VORSHAK: Concentrate, Doctor. I will now feed in the charge ...

(HE PRESSES A SWITCH)

To burn out the circuit, concentrate and direct it. But be careful. It must be in phase with the pulse of the circuit, If not it will destroy you. Nod if you comprehend.

(THE DOCTOR NODS.

ON TEGAN AND TURLOUGH.

ICTHAR STILL HAS HIS ARM
FREE, THE GUN POINTING
IN THE GENERAL DIRECTION
OF THE DOCTOR AND VORSHAK.

SUDDENLY THE
WEAPON GOES OFF,
BUT NEITHER
MAN SEEM TO BE
HIT.

TURLOUGH MANAGES
TO PULL THE GUN
FREE FROM ICTHAR'S
GRASP, AND SHOOTS
HIM)

VORSHAK: Doctor. Concentrate Doctor. Let nothing distract you.

(ON VORSHAK HIS
FACE SCREWED UP IN
TENSION. HE
REACHES OUT AND
HITS A SWITCH.

THE DOCTOR'S BODY
ARCHES. ELECTRICAL
ENERGY CRACKLES
BETWEEN THE TERMINALS
OF THE HEADPIECE)

(OOV) Now Doctor!

(THE CIRCUIT FLARES
AND BURNS.

THE ENERGY CRACKLE
BETWEEN THE HEADPIECE
TERMINALS FLARE
AND DIE.

A BEAT.

THE HEADPIECE
BEGINS TO RISE
AUTOMATICALLY.

RELEASED THE DOCTOR
SLUMPS FORWARD)

You did it! (cont ...)

(VORSHAK TURNS
TO TEGAN.

HE IS ALMOST
MANIC WITH JOY)

VORSHAK: (cont) He did it!

(VORSHAK THEN
GRIMACES, AND
SLOWLY SLIDES DOWN
THE CONSOLE)

TURLOUGH: See to the Doctor.

(TURLOUGH CROSSES
TO VORSHAK AND
CHECKS.

TEGAN LIFTS THE
DOCTOR'S FACE.

THE DOCTOR'S FACE
ROUND THE AREA
OF THE EYES IS
BLACKENED AND
SINGED.

HIS EYES OPEN
AND HE MOANS)

TEGAN: He's alive.

TURLOUGH: More than this one is. He's been shot.

(THE DOCTOR STAGGERS
UP AND COMES FORWARD
ALMOST COLLAPSING)

THE DOCTOR: (WEAK) Did I succeed?

TEGAN: Yes.

(A BLEEP AND
THE READOUT BAND
READS: 'MISSILE
RUN CANCELLED'.

THE DOCTOR LOOKS
AROUND THE ROOM,
DEPRESSED BY WHAT
HE SEES)

TURLOUGH: They're all dead.

THE DOCTOR: (SLOWLY) This mania Earth has for war must stop.

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